

to the latter, at Woolwich, Me., near the mouth of the Kennebec. An earlier record in regard to him says: "Captain Philip Goldthwait was brought before the New Hampshire Committee of Safety at Portsmouth Nov. 23, 1775, on suspicion of being unfriendly to the liberties of America. Upon examination, nothing appearing against him, ordered that he be dismissed." (Force's Am. Archives, v. iv, p. 5.)

There can be no doubt, however, as to Capt. Philip's real sentiments on the great question then dividing Whigs and Tories. The atmosphere in which he was living must soon have become unendurable to one holding his opinions, and we soon find him in England, where he appears as early as October, 1780,* at that date taking out in London administration of his brother's estate. His niece, Miss Gowen, says of him that he went to England and bought an annuity in the king's household, and became one of the Gentlemen of the bedchamber, and, she adds, "When my father was in London he attended a christening of one of the royal babies with my uncle." Dr. Gowen, her father, is known to have been in England in the summer and autumn of 1783. How much longer Capt. Philip remained there is not now known, but that he died, perhaps at sea before Oct., 1786, appears from probate records at Boston, where Edward Dawes of Boston, trader, is appointed, Oct. 10, 1786, administrator on the estate of Philip Goldthwait, late of Boston, mariner. His inventory contained clothes, a quadrant, book, and chest, and amounted to £7 10s. James Graham, trader, and Samuel Beals, tailor, of Boston, were bondsmen. The title of captain, usually applied to Philip, would seem to have come from his command of vessels. The calling of a mariner was a natural one for him to follow, since it was that of his mother's father and brother, and of his own elder brother, and it is interesting to note that in every generation of his descendants to the present day there have been more or less who have chosen the same

*As Philip was in New York after Oct. 12, 1779, he must have gone to England between these two dates.